

441—152.6 (234) Client eligibility and referral.

152.6(1) *Determination of eligibility.* The department shall determine a child's eligibility for foster group care services. The department shall not make payment for foster group care services provided before the child's eligibility determination and service authorization.

152.6(2) *Court order.* If a child and family have been referred to the department and the department has not authorized foster group care services, but the services have been ordered by the juvenile court, the department shall make payment subject to availability of authorized funds.

152.6(3) *Service authorization.* Any change in the level of care or increase in the number of units or duration of foster group care services shall be authorized by the department.

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